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Dear Colleagues,

Since 2003, the Japanese Urological Association (JUA) has provided a JUA Asian Scholarship program (formerly called an International Foundation of Scholarship) for Asian young urologists. The program provides to support young urologists in Asian countries to observe surgeries/procedures, as well as attend clinics and staff activities at training hospitals in Japan for two months. The JUA provides complimentary membership for the scholars to attend meetings which the JUA organizes, and also issues certification to scholars on completion of the program.

On behalf of the JUA, we officially extend the invitation to a total of seven scholars every year. The candidate should be nominated by both the department chair and the relevant national urological society of the scholar. As a general rule, up to 3 candidates can be nominated by that society. Further details of this grant and application process are provided separately. We would like each society to circulate the information of this grant, select scholar(s) and support possible preparation of attached application forms.

The scholars who have had the opportunity to share experiences in the clinical fields in Japanese hospitals learn a lot from both urological and endourological training and develop their skills to make good use when they returned to their home countries.

We hope this opportunity will establish solid relationships among young urologists in Asia and support further development of urology in Asian countries.

Sincerely yours,

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